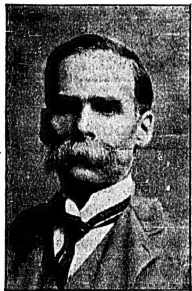


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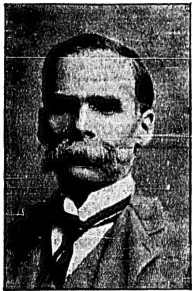
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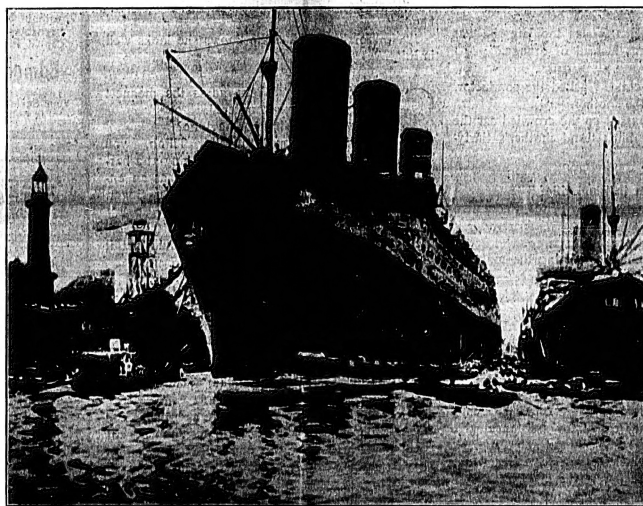
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Many a man doesn't realize that he married an angel until she begins to do the harp act.

"I never saw a bride looking so sour. What was the matter?"  
"She found out when it was too late she was wearing lemon blossoms instead of orange."

"How old is your child?" asked the conductor. "Seven," replied the mother.  
As the conductor passed up the crowded car the little boy called after him: "And mother's thirty-eight!"

"What's the matter in Plunkville?"  
"We've tried a Mayor and we've tried a commissioner."

"Well."  
"Now, we're thinking of offering the management of our city to some good magazine."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"HELLO, Bill. Have you heard about Jimmy Strong getting locked up?"  
Bill: "No. What's he bin locked up for?"

Tom: "Why, he was outside a pub last night when the bobby told him to move on; but Jimmy wouldn't; so the copper called for assistance, and another coming on the scene, Jimmy got desperate and tossed them all over the place. After a while he was locked up, taken before the magistrate, and fined five shillings and costs for gambling."  
Bill: "For gambling? I can't see that."  
Tom: "Why for tossing coppers in the street."—The Bits.

C. H. Workman, a well known interpreter of Gilbert roles, relates some personal experiences of the great librettist.

"I was lunching at Grim's Dyke," he says, "and told over the lunch table the story of the old German trombone player, who, closing his music, squashed a fly across the cleft and when he came to that particular passage the next evening ran down the scale, remarking, 'I don't know yet it was, but I played it.' Gilbert struck in quietly from the end of the table, 'Are you sure it was a fly, Workman? It might have been a bee flat!'"

"As Jack Point in 'The Yeoman of the Guard,' there is one scene in which, standing between Elsie Maynard and Phoebe, I used to kiss the cheek of first one and then the other quickly and repeatedly, and Sir William thought there was too much kissing for a Savoy audience."

"You would cut the kissing then?" I said  
"I would not," he returned drolly, "but I must ask you to."

A GAIN a newspaper man tries to remark that Wolfe recited Grey's "Elegy" as he was dropping down the river to give battle to Montcalm and die on the field of glory. "I've rather have written that poem," said Wolfe, "than take Quebec to-morrow." History has shown time and again that Wolfe did not recite Grey's "Elegy" and that he did not utter the famous words ascribed to him. It was one of his aides, about two days before, in the safety of the English camp, thinking perhaps of home and mother, who quoted: "The paths of glory lead but to the grave." And he did not utter any such about writing poetry either. That was added months after by the anecdote maker who

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LIPPINCOTT'S provides these samples of baseball grandstand conversation:  
Boston: Oh, Emerson—a hit! Speed—fly—with winged feet of god Hermes. Safe—ah, Selah!

Pittsburg: Steal! Steal!  
Louisville: A middlin' fine play, yes, sub! Waiter, I held up two fingers. Now, that reminds me—

New York: Out—out—OUT! Yer blind mutt—yer masked sandbagger—yer crooked grafter! Wol yer 'ink dis is—mumblebees?

St. Louis: Ach, himmel! Poot der balls der blate over, Heinle!

Toronto: A 'it. Jolly well put y' know. Sugar? Washington: Mr. Speaker, it being the hour of 3.30, with the visitors' batting practice just beginning, I move you that we adjourn.

Tuskegee: Golly, Moses, look at dat ball! Come 'long home, yoh brack chile!

Havana: Senor the umpire, it is to rob! Caramba!

Wellesley: Gracious goodness, what dear! Now do be quick. Safe—ah, isn't he positively god-like?

Rich—"We never know how sons are going to turn out."

Richer—"No, nor what time they are going to turn in."

"For whom is she wearing black—her late husband?"

"No, for her next. She knows she looks well in it."

G LADYS—Tommy Tightwad is the meanest man I've ever encountered.

Gwendolyn—What has he done?

Gladys—He's engaged to Tilly Tilton, you know. It appears that he picked up a ring at a bargain sale, and had the nerve to offer it as an engagement ring. It was too small for her finger. What do you suppose he suggested?

Gwendolyn—What?

Gladys—That she diet until she could get it on!—Louisville Courier-Journal.

SAMUEL Rogers, the versatile wit, banker and poet, use to gather at the famous breakfasts, the most brilliant minds in Great Britain, or among visiting strangers. One of the most frequent guests was Douglas Jerrold, famous as dramatist, satirist, and one of the "fixed" stars of Punch.

His impromptu and retorts were as brilliant and sudden as lightning. On a certain occasion a recent poem of Victor Hugo's was under discussion, and a fledgling poet, who was a son of a noble house, drawled:

"I have just written a poem on the same subject. Hugo and I row in the same boat, you know."

"Yes, yes," said Jerrold, with a withering sneer, "but not with the same results."—New York Evening Mail.

## MOVING PICTURES AND CROWDS

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CHESTERTON says it is a platitude, but none the less true, that we need to have an ideal in our minds with which to test all realities. Also "that it is equally true, and less noted that we need a reality with which to test an ideal."

To illustrate his point he selects a charwoman, he tells us—Mrs. Buttons—as the touchstone of all modern theories about women.

Whenever he hears the modern generalities about her sex, he simply substitutes her name and sees how the thing sounds then. When say, a mere sentimentalists says: "Let women be content to be dainty and exquisite, a protected piece of social art and ornament," then he repeats the statement to himself in this way: "Let hard-working Mrs. Buttons be content to be dainty and exquisite, etc."

Or if the Suffragettes say in their pamphlets, "Woman, leading to life at the trumpet call of Ibsen and Shaw, drops her tawdry luxuries and demands to grasp the sceptre of empire and the firebrand of speculative thought."

To properly get at the sense or nonsense of such an utterance, he tries saying it over in this form:—"Mrs. Buttons, leading to life at the call of Ibsen and Shaw, drops her tawdry luxuries and demands to grasp the sceptre of empire and the firebrand of speculative thought."

"Somehow," he tells us, "it sounds quite different."

"And yet, when you say Woman," he continues, "I suppose you mean the average woman; and if most women are so capable and critical and morally sound as Mrs. Buttons, it is as much as we can expect, and a great deal more than we deserve."

I have been applying this test for weeks past, during all the municipal and political storm that rages around us, to our own local conditions, and between ourselves, have arrived at a great many unhappy conclusions, as a consequence.

Of wrong, or graft, or immorality, or hypocrisy in the abstract, I have, I presume, the average person's indifferent dislike.

It disturbs me, in a general sort of way, to hear that the House of Parliament at Ottawa is in the hands of a gang of tricksters and crooks.

When I read of child-labor in sweat-shops, when I hear of conditions being allowed to obtain in a city, that owing to a Council's negligence I know will claim hundreds of lives, I am indignant to be sure.

But when I come face to face with a man, John Jones, we will say, whom I know to be politically rotten. When I see a picture of a child that the factory system has produced. Little stunted form, hollow cheeks, great gray eyes. When I see a funeral of a friend of mine, whom death has claimed as a result of intolerable unsanitary conditions in a city, then you may believe me, my blood boils.

What has only disturbed me hitherto in a general sort of way, becomes personal contempt, a heart-breaking incident. Rage springs up in my heart.

Generalities are so much rot. They are the most lying and unsafe things in existence.

Life is not made up of people, but of Mrs. Buttons.

Politicians, both municipal and in general, have a large way of referring to "the people."

Who are "the people" anyway?

Who but the various Mr. and Mrs. Buttons, and all the little Buttons.

And what may not concern me in the least if it only affects "the people," becomes unbearable, when applied to my near neighbor over the way, or to myself.

In Mrs. Buttons' hands, I believe, not with either the Liberals or Conservatives, lies the future welfare of the country.

A composite of many minds, is apt to mix up a great deal of evil with its good. So that to say that Liberals are rotten, and Conservatives all that is clean and desirable, or vice versa, is arrant nonsense.

Both wear coats of many colors, and the scarlet hue shame shows in both of their linings. It is when Mrs. Buttons gets to work with her sense of personal pride, of personal honor, of personal integrity, (by Mrs. Buttons not being a Suffragette you may take me to mean Mr. Buttons or her influence on her Worser Half) that you may begin to hope for results.

A cleaning out not of office, but of hearts, is what is needed, and needed badly.

What are "the people" but a collection of individuals?

It would please me mightily to see fewer time-servers and political sidesmen—more men.

If we had men we would have principles.

Have we either?

Pick up the local papers.

On the first page I notice that some of the Big Shouters on one side a few short months ago, are now howling eulogies—disgustingly flattering eulogies—on their erstwhile opponents' platforms.

Whence the change of heart? Do hearts change so suddenly? If so, why do they always appear to realize conversion, when the particular star they contemplate hitching their wagons to, is in the ascendant?

Did anyone ever hear of a man hitching his rig to a "falling star?"

Can we believe that these Vicar of Bray are acting from any sense of principle or conviction? If you think so, try thinking it out in this way:

Mr. Buttons is now shouting his lungs hoarse on the Oliver platforms. Why? or

Mr. Buttons has switched to the Cross or Griesbach factions. Again, pourquoi?

A scurrious, defamatory sheet springs up, so violently personal in its utterances, that the most stupid one in the world couldn't fail to see the way and whereof of its existence.

It sounds all very well in the abstract for men to proclaim that they "now see things differently." But you and I, dear friends, who know Mr. Buttons, and where he gets off at, personally, will have one jolly big contempt for the Switcher, and keep a lee eye on him, as will his new leader.

Go down with your ship, Mr. Buttons. Go down. Tides turn. Be fish, fle'h or fowl, but have some backbone.

Vote for a man, not a party.

Dare to be a Buttons—but don't always be the Buttons who appears to be on top.

That circumstance, you know, appears to make "the people" suspicious.

## Vacation's Over

THE sun shines with more sober light,  
 The bells ring out from belfry towers,  
 The streets fill up with faces bright  
 Like dusty roads with fairy flowers.

The little shoes go hurrying past  
 That scarce have lost the scent of clover.  
 The old schoolhouse awakes at last.  
 Vacation's over.

Like some great hive of buzzing bees,  
 The schoolhouse starts its drowsy humming,  
 And curls that danced 'neath summer trees  
 Now quietly droop o'er sums and summing.

The sun paint tanned on each wee hand  
 Of mountain lass and seaside rover  
 Is lost beneath an inky brand.  
 Vacation's over.

When school-time comes the streets and parks—  
 With no small tongue to be disturbing—  
 Seem strangely lonesome with their marks  
 Of pencils sharpened on the curbing.

And, oh, those little folks, as yet  
 About whose hearts no shadows hover,  
 Are not the only ones regret  
 Vacation's over.

ON Monday morning there was a tremendous scurrying around in most of the houses in town, a vast scouring of small boys and girls—mostly boys to be strictly accurate. Unnumbered admonitions to "hurry up," a frantic searching for books, and finally a parting hug and kiss before hundreds of healthy, merry-faced children were sped off for the first day of school.

A number of parents, grown lazy with the holiday season, had to do some pretty fast stepping themselves to be ready to accompany their hopefuls to see about new rooms and special courses and the like.

In the vicinity of the schools there was a terrific amount of shouting, and wailing; small girls in unlimited quantities walked arm in arm with their intimates of last session. Oh, you couldn't doubt it, school was "in" once more.

But what made noise and young life on the street and in the class-rooms by that very token left so many dull places of abode. Ears accustomed to

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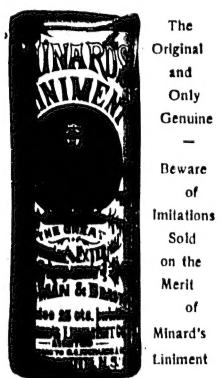
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## HOME AND SOCIETY

(Continued from page eight)

Mrs. Webb of Winnipeg arrived on Saturday on a visit to Mrs. Turnbull, and will be her guest until Sunday. Mrs. Webb came on on Thursday night.

Mrs. Frederick Jamieson of Strathcona was the hostess of a delightful garden tea on Thursday of last week, when all of smart Edmonton seemed to be present, trilling down the little street from the cars, like a flock of school-girls. It was the first really ambitious "tea" party of the season, and so took on the nature of a re-union.

Everybody seemed busy querying everyone else as to where she had been, when she had returned, had she a good maid, how were the children, and all and sundry of the questions usually exchanged on such occasions.

I saw a great many quite recently returned travellers, Mrs. Riddell, Mrs. John Ross and others who have been wandering far afield. There was a fine showing of very beautiful frocks, and the long vacation had evidently done wonders for a great many of the women who at the end of last season were showing the effects of late hours and too much frivolity.

The pretty garden made an ideal setting for all this beauty and smartness, and Mrs. Jamieson herself was looking radiant in a frock of white marquisette, with a deep coral border on the skirt and bodice. Coral earrings and jewels, and a long scarf of the same fascinating shade completed a most artistic toilette.

With the pretty shade trees as a background, the table, centred with a simply huge bowl of sweet peas on a handsome lace centrepiece, looked unusually tempting and inviting, and all afternoon Mrs. Clarke Bowker, Mrs. Ghiselin and Mrs. Hislop were kept busy dispensing delicious dainties.

Among the billows of lovely frocks, Mrs. Booth of "Allanwood" was conspicuous in an elegant white lace frock, with a stunning coat of Paddy green, with wide reverses of striped black and white silk, and a chic hat with a handsome ostrich plume of the same popular shade.

Mrs. Robert Mays was a picture in black and white, with dull old-gold flangee jewels.

Mrs. Nightingale wore a smart long rajah coat, with black and white revers and a lovely picture hat.

Others I noticed were Mrs. Pardee, Mrs. Dickins, Mrs. John Sommerville, Mrs. Marriott, Mrs. Wm. Short and her guest Miss McMaster, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Mrs. Jas. Douglas, Mr. Tilly, Miss Edith Richardson, Mrs. D. R. Haines, Miss Webster, Mrs. D. J. MacNamara, Miss Marjorie Brown and Miss Aloysia McKenny.

Mr. O. Leigh Spencer, of Calgary, eldest son of the late O. Leigh Spencer, of Vancouver, has left for Charlottetown, P. E. I., where his marriage to Miss Helen Louise Hazard, daughter of the Hon. F. L. and Mrs. Hazard of that city will take place on September 5.

One of the jolliest parties of the week was given by Mrs. Ambrose Dickins Wednesday night, when three tables of Bridge enjoyed the attention of some of the younger set, Miss Amy Colquhoun of Winnipeg and Miss Griffin of Galt being the guests of honor.

The prizes were carried off by Miss Colquhoun and Mr. Ralph Douglas. In the den a table of the younger married set had a game all to themselves, and about eleven thirty a delicious little supper was served. Miss Colquhoun wore a charming frock of pale blue satin, veiled with black chiffon, and Miss Griffin looked very pretty in pale pink satin-dotted crepe, with lace yoke and sleeves, and a wide bow of black satin on the corsage.

Mrs. Dickins wore a lovely white lace toilette.

Mrs. Clarke Bowker's tea on Friday for her guest, Miss Burt Martin, a charming young visitor from Scotland, was a very smart affair indeed, the delightful rooms being crowded with smart women all in their best bibs and tuckers.

Mrs. Bowker received wearing a most becoming frock of wide satin-striped pale blue material very sheer and "familly relieved with lovely lace.

Her guest was in white lace and looked very sweet and attractive. Both she and her hostess wore corsage bouquets of exquisite pink sweet peas. I think I never saw more beautiful flowers at a tea, nor such quantities of them. Every nook and corner had its bowl or vase of sweet-scented bloom, and one tall vase of coral-shaded poppies in the tea-room and caught many eyes. The tea-table was a study in pink and white sweet peas, exorbitant lace, and the most delectable goodies. Here Mrs. Bowers, Mrs. Jack Anderson and Mrs. Alfred Harrison presided, while Mrs. Frank Sommerville served punch in the drawing-room.

Among the guests were a number of out-of-town visitors: Mrs. Heblen and her daughter from Montreal, Miss Whiting visiting Mrs. Kenneth Mackenzie, Miss Colquhoun from Winnipeg, Miss Griffin of Galt, and others whose names I have forgotten for the moment. Mrs. Sydney Woods, who recently returned from England, was looking stunning, wearing a sweet frock of Paddy green, with a large picture hat.

Mrs. Balmer Watt gave a dance in honor of Miss Amy Colquhoun of Winnipeg and Miss Louise Griffin of Galt, on Monday night. Turner's orchestra furnished excellent music and Miss Colquhoun was strikingly attractive in Paddy green chiffon over the same shaded satin, with a band of chiffon in her quaintly arranged hair. Miss Griffin was very sweet and girlish in primrose-yellow satin with a tunic effect of dew-drop chiffon.

Mrs. Bower Campbell was the hostess of a three-table matinee Bridge on Thursday in honor of Mrs. Webb of Winnipeg, particulars of which I hope to give next week.

A wedding that will interest a great many of the capital was quietly celebrated at seven o'clock on Thursday morning, August 31st, in the Rene Le-marchand Mansion, when Miss Yvonne Cauchon, eldest daughter of Mons. and Madame Cauchon, formerly of Winnipeg, became the bride of Mr. Albert E. Nash, late of England, but for three years past a well known resident of Edmonton.

The wedding ceremony was performed by Father Beaudry, Mr. David Robinson supporting the groom and Miss Cymmondoce Cauchon was her sister's bridesmaid.

The bride, who looked very sweet and happy, wore her travelling suit of Copenhagen blue, very smartly tailored, the skirt slashed up the side, with straps and buttons as finishing touches, the blouse with dainty lace accessories. She wore a jaunty tailored hat of the same shade, with bows at the side, and carried a great sheaf of white roses. Her jewels were the groom's gifts, a diamond and platinum plaque, and handsome diamond earrings.

Miss Cymmondoce Cauchon wore a charming frock of pink silk, veiled in pale blue nixon de sole, with lace yoke and short sleeves. Tiny pink silk rosettes were caught on the edge of the tunic overskirt, the sleeves and bodice. Her hat was a black beaver with a pale blue willow plume; the quill divided with a black velvet strip; bows of black velvet finished it at the side. She carried the groom's flowers, a shower bouquet of pink carnations, and wore the groom's gift, a gold bracelet.

Mr. Nash's gift to his groomsmen was a handsome gold signet ring.

Madame Cauchon looked very distingue in an ash of roses satin toilette, over a velvet petticoat of a deeper shade. The skirt was slashed into panel effects, and the bodice was trimmed with rich passementerie, with a lace yoke and pipings, on both skirt and waist of the velvet. Her hat was en suite, with a long ostrich plume.

Only the very intimate friends of both contracting parties were present, most of whom later saw the happy couple off at Strathcona, where they left on the morning train for Vancouver.

A jolly little breakfast followed the wedding, and I hear Mr. Robinson made a very witty speech, in which he referred to the groom's well-known good fortune in selecting leading ladies and running off with all the honors. A reference to the recent success in the recent Earl Grey Competition, when the play he produced was awarded the trophy, and himself the signet ring for the best amateur actor in all of Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash will return to town about Sept. 14th, and take possession of their home, already furnished and waiting for them, on 24th St.

Here's good luck to them from an erstwhile leading lady of the groom's who can nevermore hope to play the star part.

Mrs. Swaisland entertained at a tiny bridge on Tuesday night.

Mons. and Madame Thibault came in on Monday from Lake Wabamun, spent the week in town, but expect to go out again for this week-end.

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## The Investor

PROFESSOR James H. Pettit, of Urbana, Ill., head of the department of agronomy in the University of Illinois, one of the recognized authorities on all matters pertaining to soils and crops, who visited Edmonton last week, made a number of careful examinations of soil in different parts of the west, with Professor C. W. Willis, editor of the Northwest Farmstead, Minneapolis, also an expert in this line. Prof. Pettit, as the result of these investigations, said, on arriving at Winnipeg: "Respective of climatic conditions the best soils we examined were in the Regina, Edmonton, Prince Albert and Rosthern districts. The average soil about Regina is a deep black clay loam with a depth of about 40 inches, while the common type about Edmonton and Prince Albert is a brown silt loam containing some fine sand, to a depth of from 16 to 18 inches, underlain with yellow silt loam. The soils between Saskatoon and Outlook, and about Kerrobert, are a brown sandy silt loam upon silt, though in many cases the subsoil is medium or coarse sand.

"In the Prince Albert district, these new soils in the main are well supplied with organic matter, a constituent very essential for the production of crops, and one which is most readily worked out of the soil by the ordinary system of farming at present followed upon these lands, namely, with or without fallow. Without much doubt the content of cereal plant food, especially in the silt and clay soils, is at present sufficient for maximum crops if the content of organic matter is maintained."

"The most important problem in connection with maintaining a system of permanent agriculture upon the soils of Western Canada," sums up Prof. Pettit, "is that of maintaining, where the annual precipitation does not usually exceed 20 inches, their supply of nitrogenous matter."

H. E. Young, editor of The Farmers' Review, Chicago, said:

"My trip through Western Canada has been a revelation. When I left the States I confess I didn't expect to see anything like the country I have continuously passed through. I have had my eyes opened to the true greatness of Western Canada and the wonderful agricultural possibilities it presents. It is a great farming country which is in the initial stage of unprecedented agricultural development. Agriculturally it holds unlimited and untold opportunities. While generally known as a wheat country I have found that Western Canada is naturally adapted to the production of farm crops. Its wealth of fertile soil, unsurpassed climatic conditions and great transportation facilities affords the foundation for a highly profitable and permanent agriculture, the extent of which the world has never known. To say that I am surprised and pleased with all that I have seen is putting it mildly. The great possibilities for the successful growing of all crops, even including Indian corn, together with live stock, especially appeals to me. I like your country. I like you men. You have the blackest dirt and the whitest men of any section I have ever visited, with the possible exception of Illinois."

ALFRED H. Westen, a Chicago broker, expressed himself as follows:

"Much has been written on the question of salesmanship. Many theories have been advanced as to what the essential elements are that enter into the process of making the mind of the buyer meet the mind of the salesman—the bringing about of the psychological moment when the sale is made. That there is such a moment most real estate brokers will agree, but what combination brings about that particular moment few, if any, can tell. That the true born salesman can feel a certain something within him which tells him when he is losing or winning the prospective purchaser without a word being uttered, there can be no question. Sometimes the change of mind of the prospective purchaser takes place in a moment during an interview, seemingly without reason, but something said or done by the broker brought about the result. For example, perhaps too much enthusiasm or too little lost the sale, or perhaps a change of attitude from one to the other won the sale. It is an interesting study which few can have fathomed.

"Every salesman of real estate has his own pet ideas and theories about presenting a proposition, but the most dependable plans are based on facts, not theories.

"The success or failure of sale is determined very largely by the first presentation of the proposition. First impressions are indelible and hard to overcome. The negotiations may continue for months after the sale has been irrevocably lost, but the broker, with characteristic perseverance, continues his efforts. He does not realize that he has lost beyond all hope, and therein lies an important difference between the successful and unsuccessful broker. The former judges his position quickly and saves his time and energy for another and more likely prospect, sometimes realizing that there is no hope before either of the principals do. On the other hand, the unsuccessful broker will most likely spend much of his time chasing shadows, unable to see when he has lost.

"Therefore, salesmanship is inborn, not made. It can be no more be made than can a successful musician of a man who has no ear or temperament for music. The born salesman is sensitive and is a quick and accurate judge of human nature; the made-to-order salesman is not and never will be."

SIR Donald Mann, when in Edmonton on Saturday, stated that the contracts which had been let provided for the completion of the C. N. R. line through to the West in two years. The line to Athabasca Landing, he declared, would be finished this year, while next year that in a northeasterly direction to Lac la Biche would be rushed ahead. The road to the Peace River would be completed gradually.

E. F. Heblen, general manager of the Merchants Bank, spent Friday last in Edmonton.

PROPERTY on First Street, lying just south of the Moser-Ryder block was sold this week by Edwin Auld to a local syndicate at the rate of \$1425 per front foot. This is a record for this thoroughfare.

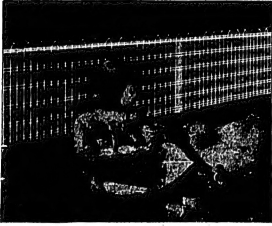
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**E**LDRED C. F. Walker, an English writer on agricultural topics, said the other day in the course of an interview:

"Last Sunday I was at Sedgwick. It was a delightfully wet day on which to make a tour of inspection of ready-made farms, and I knew if ever the farmer could be found in a pessimistic mood it would be on such a day. Here I had my first experience out on the soil of Canada, and I must say I had not thought there was such soil in Canada anywhere. Nearly every English farmer who had come out was comfortable and satisfied with his circumstances—all gave praise as regards the soil and its possibilities. The homes were not as large as in the old country, but here the farmer had the land."

**AT SIXTEEN YEARS**

(Elizabeth Elliott in St. Nicholas)

**S**HE studies "Macbeth" and "King Lear," And the classics of long ago; She thinks they are "perfectly glorious," The teacher she loves tells her so. What she likes are the antics of "Patty," And stories with "sparkle and go," Long hours over Kipling and Dickens— She is only a school girl, you know.

She keeps up her "physical culture," And plays basketball with her might; Studies Latin and algebra problems, And goes to bed early at night. What she likes is to dance until morning In ruffles all frilly and pink To "scoot" up the drive in a motor, Or to gayly roll around at the rink.

She practices Greig and Moszkowski, Though her brain wanders off in a dream; She goes to hear symphony concerts, With Damrosch expounding the theme. What she likes is the waltz of the "Widow," Gay two-steps that tingle and stir,

The resonant clorus of "Boola." Or the lay of the "Little Chauffeur." She goes to hear Julius Caesar," With note-book, not just as a lark; She visits Greek casts in museums And sketches bare trees in the park. What she likes is Maude Adams as Peter, Or a jolly good Hippodrome show, A comrade to laugh with—and caramels— She is only a school girl, you know.

**JASPER'S NOTE BOOK**

(Continued from page one)

pect before greater Edmonton that no time should be lost in securing the consolidation of our whole strength for the task of realizing to the full our possibilities.

**A**UGUST passed without any of the frost damage that was feared in view of the backwardness of the season. Much cutting is being done and there is every reason to believe that we shall harvest a splendid crop throughout the province. The forecast made by the Winnipeg Free Press of an average of 35 bushels for wheat in the county ten miles south of Edmonton and 75 bushels for oats showed what the continuance of good weather has meant. Roughly speaking each fine day during the past week was worth probably five million dollars to western Canada.

**M**R. L. J. A. Lambert, whose death occurred on Friday night, was a prominent figure in the politics of this part of the West in the days preceding the granting of autonomy, representing the old St. Albert district in the territorial throughout the period when under the influence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's premiership the allegiance of French Canadians to the party of Cartier became weakened to no small extent, remained faithful to legislature. He was an ardent Conservative and the political ideas of his young years. He was a fluent speaker and at many a St. Jean Baptiste celebration his oratory was a feature of the picturesque occasion.

**THE LAW AND THE SERVANT**

(From Collier's Weekly)

A hundred years ago an agitated English gentleman wrote an open letter to William Willerforce, M. P., begging him to pass an act of Parliament "to make servants a real useful and responsible class of society." The "insolent and licentious" creatures, "fed and nourished in your bosom" were to be reformed by losing the few rights they then possessed. No employer should sign a mutual agreement for a month's warning or wages, as it interfered with instant dismissal and gave rise to unpleasant altercation. Any agent recommending a bad servant should be fined £100. The punishment for sauciness to master or mistress should be 40 shillings or 14 days' hard labor.

The great wages given to servants have their share in spoiling them. It is no uncommon thing nowadays to see a cook in a small family dressed on Sunday with a white-fringed petticoat, her hair powdered, a fashionable bonnet, without a cap. Can any one expect such a cook to do her thing better than she does?

This distraught gentleman would think himself in topsyturvy land today could he know the legislation designed to raise the standard of domestic service, not by coercing the employee, but by protecting their interests. Twenty-eight of our States give their labor departments authority over domestic employment agencies in order to fix the advance fee and the percentage of wages to be paid, or to secure the return of the advance fee if no situation is obtained. In Germany a contract between employer and employee is usually obligatory and binding on both, except under specific circumstances. In England situations are usually subject to a month's notice on either side. Italy has no contract system, but a domestic employee can claim 10 days' notice or a week's wages. In Germany and Belgium the employer must pay one-half the compulsory insurance against accident, sickness, invalidism, and old age. In England domestic servants can bring suit under the workmen's compensation act. In New Zealand, under the conciliation and arbitration act, wages, hours, holidays, and overtime of cooks and waitresses employed in hotels and boarding-houses are determined by the arbitration courts.

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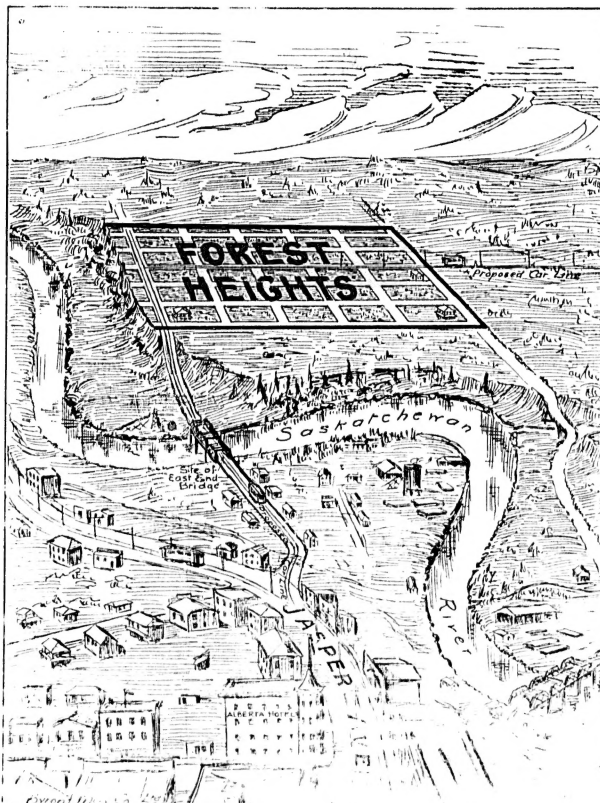
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listening for lusty young voices at play, to looking  
for covert, sandwiched-in loves from weensy daugh-  
ters, tongues accustomed to calling greetings or ad-  
vice, grew restless with waiting, as the hours  
dragged by, before, with a rush, the kiddies scur-  
ried in for lunch.

What vivid accounts of new class-rooms entered,  
new teachers, new associates, mothers and fathers  
listened to all that first day, can be imagined with  
little effort, by every parent who ever has experi-  
enced the deep joy of owning a boy or girl of his  
own.

The tragedy of a decrepit and broken-down wa-  
ter-supply is as nothing to the confession of Mary  
that vacation days have robbed her absolutely of any  
knowledge of 'division,' 'subtraction,' and 'multi-  
plication.'

"Mother, which is it that stays in a little house  
at the side, and there are lots of bigger figures in  
the centre, and then you put some other numbers in  
another house," is a question that I am sure, in one  
form or another, many mothers listened to that first  
wild day. If some of these had confessed the  
truth, as I had to, in my heart, they would have an-  
swered the words of an old rhyme that occurs to  
me:—

Multiplication is vexation  
Division is as bad,  
The rule of three  
Doth puzzle me  
And fractions make me sad."

Life is a school, and some of the scholars, it  
seems to me, are put into classes away ahead of  
their attainments. Many of the lessons one has to  
learn at this school are very hard ones. They are  
like Mary's Multiplication and Long Division. We  
seem only to master them when we forget them  
again.

Does one, I wonder, ever graduate in the know-  
ledge of the World?

Is it worth while to try?

Isn't knowledge pain anyway?

Are the Wise people the happy ones?

And yet—like boys and girls go to school we  
must—and with no vacation to look ahead to.

It is better to get down to the hard work of it,  
at the beginning. Because Life is a hard task-  
mistress, and she wields a big stick for stupid schol-  
ars. And dunce caps aren't becoming, and if you  
apply the rule of "division" you find that if bright  
pupils get pain mixed with their knowledge, they  
get also much compensation. That what is sub-  
tracted is yet added to. A riddle. Mary will mas-  
ter it yet. And your and my school-days are not  
all behind us.

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### The Road

It tips between the fields of green,

The dusty country way,

The same, same road her eyes have seen

Since girlhood's happy day.

Beneath the moon it lay so white,

And stretched afar so fair,

Upon that forgotten night

When troth was plighted there.

How bright the sunshine on it poured,

When first to school along the road

That morning long ago,

She saw her children go!

And then it beckoned them until

It lured them out of sight;

With eyes grown dim she watches still

At morning and at night.

Where leads the road she does not know;

Its call comes not to her;

Her feet in rounds of service go,

And homely paths prefer.

She knows that just beyond the hill

She some day soon will fare;

And that a city, white and still,

Awaits her coming there.

"THE Road," the poem just ahead, has a  
thought of school days suggested—the  
mother watching!

How a woman's life stands out in sharp relief at  
the words!

Preparing her children for school. Mending  
for, and tending them while they are there. Listen-  
ing to the story of the little tragedies and difficulties  
that mark the common and thorny path to learning.

Encouraging and helping them by her love and sym-  
pathy. To what end? That when the lessons  
are mastered, and school-days are over, the World  
and The Road may claim them and rob her.

Isn't the picture of the mother at the window,  
watching her children trudge off to school with a  
smile on her face, more than an inspiration, or a  
beautiful memory. Couldn't it stand for Tragedy  
as well?

Peggy



THE history of sport is the history of England  
—at any rate, so far as the character of  
its people is concerned. This fact is strik-  
ingly borne out by Mr. Ralph Nevill's latest book,  
"Sporting days and Sporting Ways" (Duckworth.)  
There are stories illustrating their recklessness in  
the way of sport and gambling, others throwing a  
curious sidelight on the bullying ways of the well-to-  
do in the "merrie" days of old, and the cringing  
attitude of the masses towards the wealthy; there  
are stories of "bucks" and dandies; hunters and  
boxers; duellists and poachers; gay Lotharios and  
bewitching damsels—all of which help one to un-  
derstand, perhaps better than any historian could  
tell, the character of the people contemporary with  
our grandfathers and great-grandfathers.

Perhaps one of the most extraordinary charac-  
ters described in the book is Lord Waterford, a con-  
stant frequenter of the sporting hostilities of Lon-  
don.

"The eccentricities of this nobleman were in-  
deed numberless. He painted Melton toll bar a  
bright red, put aniseed on the hoofs of a parson's  
horse, and hunted the terrified divine with blood-  
hounds. On another occasion he put a donkey in-  
to the bed of a stranger at an inn. He took a  
hunting-box in the shires and amused himself with  
shooting out the eyes of the family portraits with a  
pistol. He smashed a very valuable French clock  
on the staircase at Crockford with a blow of his fist,  
and solemnly proposed to one of the first railway  
companies in Ireland to start two engines in op-  
posite directions on the same line in order that he  
might witness the smash for which he proposed to  
pay."

Another instance of the impulsiveness of the  
aristocracy of last century is furnished by the story  
which Mr. Nevill tells of one dashing buck who  
chose a wife merely from having caught sight of her  
from his box-seat. This dashing blade passing  
through Clarges street early one morning, was  
struck with the appearance of a smart girl washing  
the steps of the doorway. He stopped, and, hav-  
ing five minutes' conversation with her, persuaded  
this nymph of the mop to step into the carriage with  
him in her dripping state, and the next morning  
conveyed her in better trim to church and married  
her!

And many were the original and amusing wagers  
made between sports of those days. One gentle-  
man, for instance, undertook for a wager of 190  
guineas to drive a tandem at full speed against the  
wheels of the first seven vehicles he might meet on  
the road, so that his wheels should absolutely graze  
the others without becoming locked or the tandem  
upset. And he won his money in 52 minutes.

Again Sir Henry Liddle had a black servant,  
who was a regular glutton at his pipe, and Sir Henry  
expressed his opinion that Sambo could smoke a  
whole pound of tobacco in the short space of an  
hour. A friend bet Sir Henry 100 guineas he could  
not perform the feat, and lost his money, for Sam-  
bo, almost incredible though it seems, smoked pipes  
of tobacco almost as fast as an attendant could fill  
the bowls.

On another occasion an Irish squire bound him-  
self to forfeit £50 or produce alive within a month  
a fox, a badger, a hawk, and an eagle, all captured  
by himself. And exactly a month later the Town  
of Newry was thrown into an uproar by the extra-  
ordinary sight of the squire bestriding the skeleton  
of an antique grey mare. On either side of his  
steed were suspended two large wicker creels, one  
containing a wild mountain fox, the other a fierce-  
looking badger; upon his head was perched a hawk,  
manacled by the legs, the chain passing under the  
captor's chin and fastening around his neck; while  
the triumphant entry was closed with an eagle. The  
squire and his unique collection were given a royal  
reception, the captives being paraded and the £50  
being duly paid over.

Talking of boxing, Mr. Nevill mentions that  
quite a number of learned men of those days were  
fair boxers, amongst whom was Dr. Johnson, who  
is said to have been well able to hold his own with  
his fists.

George IV., when Prince of Wales, was a very  
liberal patron and supporter of the ring. Indeed,  
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England could approach him in knowledge of pugil-  
ism. George Morland, the famous painter, too,

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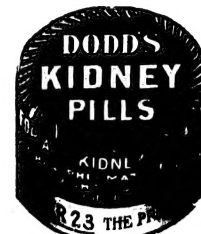
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Dr. and Mrs. Jas Biggar left a week ago last Thursday for Lac Ste. Anne, and will remain there until Tuesday next.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Soars returned on Tuesday from a trip to the Coast.

Mrs. Booth and her house party left late last week to spend the week-end at Banff.

Mons. and Madame Martin and their children arrived home from Banff on Monday and are again occupying their apartment at the Rene Lemarchand Mansion. Their new residence on Fifteenth Street is rapidly nearing completion, and Mr. Martin expects to move in some time towards the end of September.

Mr. and Mrs. Beaufort, formerly of Winnipeg, but who have lately moved to town to open the Columbia School of Music in Edmonton, are moving this week into the new cottage on Eighth St. formerly occupied by the Tom Davies.

Mr. and Mrs. Davies move this Friday into their handsome new home out in the Groat Estate.

As I think of it, Mr. Beaufort for the present will receive pupils at his house. The difficulty of finding suitable quarters for his school being considerable, at such short notice.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Morris and their house party came into town from Cooking Lake on Saturday. Mrs. Markley of Calgary, Mrs. Morris' sister, is her guest.

Miss Marjorie Beck returned from a jolly holiday spent at Cooking Lake on Monday.

Mrs. Allan Fraser and her family arrived home on Tuesday from a delightful summer's camp at Lake Wabamun.

Mr. and Mrs. Heathcote came in from the former's survey camp on Monday, where Mrs. Heathcote accompanied her husband for a rest and a change, two or three weeks ago.

Mrs. Garnet Morris gave a very pretty "tea" in honor of Mrs. Markley of Calgary, her aunt, on Tuesday. About forty guests enjoyed an hour over the tea cups and admired to the full the tea-table, centred with a great bowl of white Asters and fern, on a mirror base. Mrs. Roy Douglas poured the tea, and Mrs. Harry Morris served the ices.

Mrs. Morris received in a dainty blue linen gown, and Mrs. Markley wore a fetching frock of mauve muslin, trimmed with quantities of lace.

Mrs. Richards came in from her cottage at Lake Wabamun on Saturday, but went out again after a day's shopping.

Mrs. Habersham, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sommerville, this summer, left on Wednesday for her home in Seattle.

Miss Amy Colquhoun, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. Dick Scoble, for three weeks past, and been the raison d'être of so many of the early Fall functions, leaves on Sunday for her home in Winnipeg.

On Monday afternoon Miss Colquhoun received with Mrs. Scoble, and about fifty callers found their way to the cosy little cottage on Victoria Ave., and enjoyed a cup of tea and a chat.

Mrs. Ambrose Dickins leaves on Saturday next to visit her sister, Miss Nellie Gouin, in Winnipeg.

Mr. Pardee left last Sunday for a month's vacation in the East.

Mr. R. W. Cautley left at mid-week to spend three weeks at Sechart, B. C., where his wife and children have been passing the summer.

An engagement of more than usual interest is that of Beatrice Mary, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Snydenham McGill, of Kingston, and Mr. Morgan Jellett of Toronto.—Toronto Globe.

Mr. Jellett is a relative of Mr. St. George Jellett, Edmonton.

The marriage took place at Orillia, on August 22, 1911 of Elizabeth Grace Bayne of Elmira, N. Y., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie Bayne of Lakeside, Ont., to Alexander Cameron Grant, barrister-at-law, of Edmonton, Alta.

Mr. V. A. Beringer having returned from his holidays is prepared to resume his Piano classes

Mrs. John Sommerville gave a smart little luncheon for her daughter, Mrs. Habersham, on Monday, when besides the daughter of the house, Mrs. Jamieson of Strathcona and Mrs. Wilfrid Harrison were the guests.

Mrs. Ponton and her family came in from Gull Lake last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Belcher and their family, are other recently returned holidayers. They are back at their cosy home on Seventh St., and the Harry Evans have gone tenting on their property on the Stoney Plain Road, where a beautiful house is in course of erection for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Dubuc have leased the house, formerly occupied by Mr. Bouillon, on the corner of 13th St. and Victoria Ave., and expect to move in very shortly.

Mrs. Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson have taken an apartment in the Arlington Block.

Miss McMaster of Toronto, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Wm. Short, this summer, left on Thursday for her home in Toronto.

Mrs. Clarke Bowker entertained at a dinner of eight covers on Tuesday night, in honor of her guest Miss Burt Marlin.

Mrs. McGrath entertained at the tea house on Friday, in honor of Mrs. Leach, the wife of the new Methodist minister at Strathcona.

Miss Geach returned this week from a delightful summer holiday spent at the Coast. I understand she opens her school on Sept 6th.

Mrs. Ellsworth Moore received for the first time since coming to Edmonton, at her residence, 368 Thirtieth St., yesterday. Mrs. Reynolds of Toronto, her mother, assisted her.

Mrs. Heffernan of Guelph is visiting her son, Mr. Billy Heffernan.

Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull and Miss Jean Turnbull left on Friday for Toronto, where Miss Jean will enter Bishop Strachan's School.

Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull will spend some time visiting friends and relatives in the East.

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## ATHLETICS

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lick is too messy.

Before pocketing a ball lost by another player it is well to wait until the ball stops rolling.—Chicago Tribune.

THE visit of the Corinthians is ancient history now. They are a splendid lot of young athletes and gave such an exhibition of the game as we are not likely to see in many a long day.

Altogether the event was a notable one and will do much for the encouragement of the game. The Edmonton team made an excellent showing despite the fact that the score was 6-1 against them. Ability to shoot was responsible for the victory for the most part.

CORPORAL Regan of the 101st made good at Ottawa as he did in Calgary and will go to Bilsley with the Canadian team. As he secured the thirteenth place on the team, this should surely mean the winning of the King's Prize.

"You know the fate of the pitcher that goes too often to the well?"

"Going to the well never hurt a pitcher yet. It's going to the corner saloon that sends him back to the bush leagues."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Warwickshire by defeating Northampton at the first of the week won the English county championship, Kent having lost its lead by meeting defeat at the hands of Surrey last week. The result is a great triumph for this hitherto comparatively obscure county and for that brilliant young cricketer, Mr. F. R. Foster, who has led its forces an dshewn himself the outstanding amateur of the United Kingdom.

Edmonton cricketers play Calgary on the grounds at the foot of Twenty First street on Labor Day. A first-class game between these old rivals is looked for. Play will commence at eleven o'clock. A second Edmonton eleven will journey to Fort Saskatchewan.

New York has drawn away from Chicago and Pittsburg in the National League and looks like a winner at the present moment. Mathewson's return to form has done much to inspire hope among the admirers of the Giants.

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